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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sachetto et al

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Group: 1616

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Examiner: George

For: XANTHAN GUM AND HPMC FOR THE
TREATMENT OF IBD

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 28, 2006

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of an Official Action dated December 13, 2006 in response to an RCE filed December 4, 2006.

In the RCE applicants requested a ***three month suspension period*** for examination.

During a telephone interview of today, the Examiner confirmed that he inadvertently overlooked the request for suspension. As a result, the Examiner also indicated that he would withdraw the Action of December 13, 2006 pending receipt of further submissions by applicants and the expiration of the suspension period (***due to expire March 4, 2007***).

The Examiner's cooperation is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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